





Goals and Objectives - 7, 8, and 9

Arctic National Wildlife Refuge

Refuge staff developed the following management goals for the Refuge. Each goal has numerous objectives that specify how it is to be achieved. The objectives listed here are not a complete list. See chapter 2 of the full plan to read the complete set of objectives, along with detailed descriptions and rationales.

Goal 7

The Refuge and its partners conduct research and monitoring in support of the Refuge's role as an internationally recognized benchmark for naturally functioning arctic and subarctic ecosystems.

Objectives include:

- develop research protocols;
- participate in collaborative research;
- work with international partners;
- repeat 1990 water quality study.





Goal 8

The Refuge's cultural resources, historic and prehistoric, are conserved to allow visitors and community members to appreciate the interconnectedness of the people of the region and their environment.

Objectives include:

- develop a cultural resources management plan;
- cooperate with others to define projects;
- collect traditional ecological knowledge;
- consult with tribes, Alaska Native groups and other local entities;
- provide cultural resource training for staff;
- monitor at risk sites;
- create a cultural inventory;
- compile a place name directory and atlas of cultural and historic sites.

Goal 9

The Refuge provides information to diverse audiences, near and far, to enhance their understanding, appreciation, and stewardship of the Refuge and its resources, and reflecting the nation's interest in this place.

Objectives include:

- provide information and programs to the public about traveling to and in the Refuge;
- work with gateway communities on collaborative projects;
- use modern media technologies to provide information to the public;
- partner with Federal agencies and communities to support visitor centers;
- present educational materials and programs to students;
- provide opportunities for volunteers;
- continue the Arctic Refuge National Interest Study.

